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Conservation Computer Courseware Available From Soil Conservation Society of America

The Soil Conservation Society of America is now distributing "Farm and Food Bytes: Soil and Water Conservation," a microcomputer courseware designed for use by students in the fourth grade and above. The versatile courseware is published by Agri-Education, Inc. with the support of an educational grant from Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.

The courseware includes a two-sided diskette, a 38-page student study manual and a 30-page teacher's guide that includes more than 50 activities and 60 teaching strategies that help blend soil and water conservation into language arts, mathematics, social studies and science curricula. All are carried in a high quality three-ring binder.

The computer program is written in Applesoft II and is designed to run on Apple II, II+, IIe, IIC and on Apple III computers in Apple II emulation mode with at least one disk drive and a minimum random access memory of 48K.

The courseware can be purchased from SCSA for \$29 plus shipping and handling. For a free brochure describing the courseware in more detail, write the Soil Conservation Society of America, 7515 Northeast Ankeny Road, Ankeny, IA 50021-9764; or phone (515) 289-2331.

Free Materials from the American Nuclear Society

Educators may request a single copy of the American Nuclear Society's educational materials: "Classroom Projects on Nuclear Technology" sets I and II and a "Nuclear Science Curriculum."

"Classroom Projects on Nuclear Technology" features ideas for social studies and science activities that can be used in the classroom as bulletin board ideas or as starters for science fair projects. These projects can help students gather information and come to conclusions about nuclear energy. Students will also be made aware of the variety of uses existing for nuclear technology and how they affect the community.

The "Nuclear Science Curriculum," developed by the American Nuclear Science Teachers Association, is intended primarily as an enrichment program for students who have completed an introductory course in chemistry and/or physics as well as algebra. Included are a course outline, learning objectives and recommended laboratory activities. The curriculum guide is available in English and Spanish.

To order a free copy of these materials, write to American Nuclear Society, 555 North Kensington Avenue, La Grange Park, IL 60525, or phone (312) 352-6611.

— K.L.C.